



PATENT  
Customer No. 22,852  
Attorney Docket No. 9239-1

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re Application of:	)	
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Oscar David Labraña Valdivia et al.	)	Group Art Unit: 1754
	)	
Application No.: 10/601,600	)	Examiner: Ardith E. Hertzog
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Filed: June 24, 2003	)	
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For: Method for the Automated	)	Confirmation No.: 1500
Manufacture of Pure SO <sub>2</sub> From	)	
Sulfur and Oxygen	)	

Commissioner for Patents  
P.O. Box 1450  
Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Sir:

**REPLY TO OFFICE ACTION**

In reply to the Office Action mailed July 19, 2004, **the period for response having been extended to January 19, 2005 by a request for extension of three months and fee payment filed concurrently herewith**, please amend the above-identified application as follows:

**Amendments to the Specification** are included in this paper.

**Amendments to the Claims** are reflected in the listing of claims in this paper.

**Amendments to the Drawings** are included in the attached replacement drawing sheet(s). The amendments are discussed in this paper **and are also illustrated in the attached annotated drawing sheets.**

**Remarks/Arguments** follow the amendment sections of this paper.

**Attachments** to this amendment include:

Replacement Sheet(s) - Four sheets (Figures 1-4)  
Annotated Sheets Showing Changes - Four sheets (Figures 1-4)  
Replacement Abstract.